

pains, but the doctor says, that means the medicine is taking effect.

There is a saloon right across the street from us, lots of men send their little boys about as big as I am, with pitchers and pails for beer. I am glad I am not one of them.

Counting us there are three families living in the house we do. Here we can get on the street car, at our door, and go down to the city. I will ask a question. Who was the first martyr?

HOMER R. HARRISON.

ASHLAND, OHIO, Jan. 21, 1894.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write since we have come from Virginia. I like to read the children's letters. I will be very glad when the Sunday school starts at the college. I hope that there will be more letters in the paper, the next time from the children. I have been going to the United Brethren church. We had a nice entertainment at our Sunday school Christmas.

I wish it would snow that we could go and coast. I go to school every day. I have only missed one day since school begun. Our teacher has sent off for some books for our library, for a Christmas present.

ZELLA RITTENHOUSE

You have taken proper care and written a very good letter, except that you ought always to use pen and ink when writing for the paper. We too shall be glad when we can have a Sunday school in the college.

BURLINGTON, IND. Jan. 8, 1894.

DEAR FRIEND:—I am going to school. I am in the third reader, and we have spelling every day. I have missed only three days. Then I had the Phthisic. Our teacher's name is Miss Summa. She is a good teacher and I have been a good reader. We have forty scholars in our room.

We have a good Sunday school. I go to it every time. We have fifteen scholars in our class. I wish you would come down to it. Our Sunday school teacher's name is Sue Early. She is a good teacher. George Early is my sister's Sunday school teacher.

I have two brothers and three sisters. I am nine years old. My oldest sister

is eleven years old. My youngest sister is seven.

ERNEST GORDON.

This is a very good letter. There was not one word in it misspelled. Even that difficult word Phthisic was spelled correctly. The writing should have been with pen and ink, instead of pencil, however. We wish we might accept your invitation to attend your Sunday school. Would you want a speech if I came? If so, on what subject?

SULLIVAN, OHIO.

DEAR EDITOR:—I am eight years old. I have four sisters. My papa and mamma and three of my sisters belong to the Brethren church. I always like to go to Sabbath school, but we live so far away. I don't get there very often. My uncle Henry Jacobs preaches at Homerville church. I don't go to school much this winter, it is so far and the roads are so bad. Sugar making will soon be here, and then my little sister and I will have lots of fun in the sugar camp.

MYRTLE D. LINDSEY.

We would think you surely must have a pleasant time with four sisters—unless they are cross ones. Then it isn't so nice. When your editor was a boy he helped make maple syrup and sugar near Johnstown, Penna. Well, you might make us a jug of syrup and a cake of sugar, and send it with your next letter.

DANVILLE, OHIO, Jan. 22, 1894.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the children's department. I am thirteen years old. I go to school every day, and study reading, writing, spelling, arithmetic, geography, Harvey's Grammar, U. S. History. I go to Sunday school every Sunday, at the Brethren church at Buckeye City. My Sunday school teacher's name is Miss Huffman. We like her for a teacher very much. There are ten boys in my class. I am a member of the Brethren church—have been one ever since I was ten years old.

GUERNZA WORKMAN.

You enlisted in God's army early in life, Guernza. That was right. Wish all our little readers would follow your

good example and give their hearts to God before the evil days come. To be able to say "I am a child of God" will many times drive Satan away when human efforts would fail.

TANGENT, OREGON, Jan. 7, 1894.

DEAR EDITOR:—I will write you a few lines for the children's column. I go to school when it isn't too bad. We had a couple inches of snow here this winter. When there are no clouds we can see five mountains covered with snow the whole year around. Then we can see another one about fifty miles away, and it has snow the greater part of the year. We have lots of rain and fog in this part of the country. We went to a Christmas entertainment on Christmas night at the M. P. church. The Sunday school scholars were served first. The secretary called the roll and the members of the Sunday school went to Santa Claus and got a package of candy and nuts; then what was left was given to the other people.

CLAUD B. SHRACK.

And now we have heard from Claud who tells us how he was served at Christmas time. Thank God for the gift of his dear Son who made Christmas time a possibility. Next time you write spell out the name of the church. All the other little folks should do so too. Come again.

AKRON, IND., Jan. 6th, 1894.

DEAR EVANGELIST:—I do not see many letters from the little folks, so I will write. My teacher's name is Homer Bright; he is my cousin. I study reading, arithmetic, writing, history, geography, and grammar. I am in the fourth reader, and ten years old. I go to church and Sunday school, at Burn's Chapel. I like to read the children's letters. What verse in the Bible has all the letters in the alphabet.

DESSA SAYGER.

We are glad you want to keep up the children's column and gave us a letter, Dessa.

Satan can so show us the glory of the world as to deceive us; and he often persuades even the Lord's people, that they will find the world what no one ever did.—J. Smith.